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NOTICES TO MARINE OBSERVERS.

Captains of British Ships are asked to please cause particular attention to be given to the Lists of Stations detailed to receive Reports from "A" Selected Ships and to intercept Reports from "B" Selected Ships in the current number of the Marine Observer.

In the case of "B" Selected Ships and Supplementary Weather Reporting Ships, when within range of these stations, it is particularly desirable that their weather reports should be made to these stations by call sign, and addressed to the Meteorological centre as indicated in the List, so that the shore services as well as ships at sea may receive these reports, as far as possible, by one transmission. When beyond the range of these stations, or if it is indicated at any time that routine reports are not required ashore, they should be made to C.Q.

Special attention is invited to Section (35), page 40, January, 1937 Marine Observer, Additional Local Reports. These Optional Additional Times are being extended as and where necessary in the Supplements of the Marine Observer, as are the Lists of Stations. These Lists are repeated in Vol. II of the Admiralty List of Wireless Signals and in Admiralty Notices to Mariners for general information.

INTERIM NOTICE.

TO TAKE EFFECT FROM 1ST JUNE 1937.

Add to Section (35) of the General Instructions to British Selected Ships, on page 40 of the January, 1937 number, Vol. XIV, No. 125, and M.O. 329, Fourth Edition, page 10, Additional Local Reports.

NORTH ATLANTIC. For one W/T operator ships only for the stations Malin Head and Valentia, when a roll call is made during the previous hour. 2100 G.M.T.

The following addition should be made to the details in the Lists of Wireless Stations detailed to intercept routine coded weather reports from "B" Selected Ships, published in the April, 1937 "Marine Observer" Vol. XIV, No. 126, page 68 :—

Malin Head—Under "Information desired" for word "only" substitute "optional, No. 3 Supplementary Groups".
Under "Notes"—after the words "Station will indicate at 0805 G.M.T." insert—"and when additional reports of 2100 G.M.T. observations are desired, at 2005 G.M.T.".

Valentia—Under "Information desired" for word "only" substitute "optional, No. 3 Supplementary Groups".
Under "Notes"—after the words "Station will indicate at 0825 G.M.T.", insert—"and when additional reports of 2100 G.M.T. observations are desired, at 2025 G.M.T.".

The following should be added to the Lists of Stations detailed to intercept routine coded weather reports from "B" Selected Ships published in the April, 1937 "Marine Observer", Vol. XIV, No. 126 page 68 :—

Ocean.	Station.	Position.	Call Sign.	Telegraphic address of Meteorological Centre desiring information.	Information desired.	Notes.
North Sea.	Humber.	Lat. 53°19′43″N. Long. 0°16′34″E.	GKZ	Weather, London.	Weather in four universal groups optional No. 3 Supplementary Groups.	No roll call. British "B" Selected Ships should report at routine times when more than 10 miles from the coast.
North Atlantic.	St. John's, N.F.	Lat. 47°34′09″N. Long. 52°41′04″W.	VON	Signals, Toronto.	Weather only optional No. 3 Supplementary Groups.	
Mediterranean.	Alexandria	Lat. 31°11′53″N. Long. 29°51′46″E.	SUH	Meteor, Heliopolis.	Weather in four Universal Groups, optional Supplementary Groups.	

The following amendment should be made to the List of Stations detailed to receive weather reports from "A" Selected Ships :—

North Atlantic—Chatham, Mass, Amagansett, Thomaston, Jupiter, Palm Beach.

In the last column insert the following words in the Notes—after—'All British "A" Selected Ships within Area' and before the words 'to address their 0000 and 1200 G.M.T. observations to Weather Washington, etc.' :—when bound to or from United States ports or ports to the southward.

The following addition should be made to the List of Wireless Stations detailed to receive routine coded weather reports from "A" Selected Ships, published in the April, 1937 number, Vol. XIV, No. 126, page 66.

Ocean.	Station.	Position.	Call Sign.	Frequency and Wave Length.		Area and limits covered by Station.	Telegraphic address of Meteorological Centre.	Information required—Limit of Groups.	Notes.
				For Station to call up "Selected Ships."	For "Selected Ships" to report to Station.				
North Atlantic.	Louisburg.	Lat. 46°09′16″N. Long. 59°56′48″W.	VAS	143 kc/s. (2100 metres)	143 kc/s. (2100 metres).	North Atlantic West of Longitude 40°W.	Signals Toronto.	Weather only, preferably No. 3 Supplementary groups.	All British "A" Selected Ships within area when bound to or from Newfoundland and Canadian ports or ports to the northward to address their 0000 and 1200 G.M.T. observations to Signals Toronto and their 1800 G.M.T. observations to C.Q. in accordance with schedule.

CHART OF THE WESTERN NORTH ATLANTIC.

Showing the North Atlantic Lane Routes in force during JUNE as laid down by the Trans-Atlantic Track Convention. If at any time, owing to abnormal ice conditions, any alteration to the usual tracks is considered advisable by the track convention, particulars will be published on this chart. For full information concerning the North Atlantic Lane Routes see pages 64 and 65 of the April, 1937 number.

The periodic boundary within which ice has been observed is shown and a list of exceptional positions of ice observed in the North Atlantic during JUNE is given. Ice sighted between MAY 1st and 25th, 1937 is indicated by symbol in the position reported, the figure giving the day of the month in May. Information regarding ice conditions in Greenland waters and the Gulf of St. Lawrence will be published when available. Coastal wireless stations, with their call signs, which transmit ice signals are indicated by the symbol (H)

Ice symbols used on the chart:— Iceberg, growler, Field or other flat ice.

LANE ROUTES IN FORCE DURING JUNE.

(B) From 11th April to 30th June, inclusive.

(F) From 16th May to opening of Belle Isle route. Westbound, on approaching Cape Race steer a course to pass 10 miles S. of Cape Race. Eastbound, steer from position 25 miles S. of Cape Race.

(G) From the opening of the Straits of Belle Isle to 14th November.

Steamers keep (10'N. of this track Westbound / 10'S. of this track Eastbound)

Boundary within which ice has been reported to the Meteorological Office JUNE 1937

EXCEPTIONAL POSITIONS OF ICE.

Date.	Ship or Source of Report.	Position. Lat.	Position. Long.	Remarks.
June 25, 1886	Brig Blanch ...	48°40'N.	15°22'W.	Large berg.
,, 5, 1907	S.S. Kingswell ...	32°37'N.	64°25'W.	Several bergs.
,, —, 1907	Bque. Silverstream..	80 miles Eastnet.	W. of	Berg.
,, 11, 1912	S.S. Valetta ...	37°30'N.	74°24'W.	3 pieces of ice.
,, 7, 1913	S.S. Holtby ...	39°35'N.	64°50'W.	Berg. 10 ft. high.
,, 27, 1915	S.S. Stella	36°23'N.	57°45'W.	Small piece.
,, 30, 1921	U.S. Navy Dept. ...	33°20'N.	49°16'W.	Berg. 10 ft. high.
,, 16, 1924	S.S. West Irmo ...	38°03'N.	63°20'W.	Growler.
,, 25, 1926	S.S. Baxtergate ...	30°20'N.	62°32'W.	Large piece, about 30 ft. long and 15 ft. wide, showing about 3 ft. above water.
,, 2, 1934	M.V. Beaulieu ...	30°50'N.	45°06'W.	Small berg 20 ft. by 8 ft. 3 ft. above water.

LATEST ICE REPORT FROM CANADA.

The following cablegram, dated 21st May, 1937, was received from the Canadian Signal Service, Quebec:—

Belle Isle, light open ice distant; Cape Race, bergs in sight; other points, no ice in sight.

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Name of Vessel.	Met. Equipt.	Name of Vessel.	Met. Equipt.	Name of Vessel.	Met. Equipt.	Name of Vessel.	Met. Equipt.
*† Benmohr	M.L.	280*† Astronomer ...	M.	*† Balmoralwood ...	S.	*to* 110*† Balmoralwood ...	S.
*† British Diplomat, M.V.	M.	108*† Elstree Grange ...	M.	180*† Beaverbrae ...	M.	*to* 180*† Beaverbrae ...	M.-S.
*† Kyno	S.	110*† El Uruguayo ...	M.	*† Corrientes ...	S.	*to* 280*† Corrientes	S.
*† Manchester Citizen ...	S.	073*† Niagara	M.	*† Deebank	M.L.	*to* *† Deebank	M.
*† Manchester Regiment	S.			201†† Naldera	S.	*to* 201†† Naldera	M.-S.
				*† San Alberto, M.V.	M.	*to* 108*† San Alberto, M.V.	M.
				*† San Arcadio, M.V.	M.	*to* 073*† San Arcadio, M.V.	M.

LATE NOTICE.

The July, 1937, Number will be published on June 30th, 1937.

DERELICTS AND FLOATING WRECKAGE.

Date.	Position. Latitude.	Longitude.	Description.
MEDITERRANEAN.			
7.5.37	38°N.	2°E.	Buoy.
NORTH ATLANTIC.			
5.5.37	31°43′N.	52°47′W.	Large Iron Spar buoy.
6.5.37	41°09′N.	48°14′W.	Black Whistle buoy with framework 7 feet high.
9.5.37	42°23′N.	56°30′W.	Large red light and whistle buoy, light extinguished
10.5.37	40°11′N.	32°56′W.	Spherical buoy, 10 feet diameter, dangerous.
NORTH ATLANTIC—*continued.*			
11.5.37	30°39′N.	80°47′W.	Fishing dory, bottom up.
19.5.37	46°28′N.	7°10′W.	Floating spar 30 feet long, 18 inches thick, dangerous.
19.5.37	33°10′N.	16°11′W.	Large log standing upright.
NORTH PACIFIC.			
11.5.37	39°53′N.	124°11′W.	Partly submerged log about 30 feet long.

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